

The invention claimed is:

1. A method in a public wireless communications system comprising:
at a mobile terminal:
in response to a triggering event, transmitting on a signaling channel
5 on the wireless communications system information that comprises previously
stored user-specific information, information that identifies the mobile
terminal, and information that identifies a destination of all the information.
2. The method of claim 1 wherein the information further comprises a
geo-location of the mobile terminal.
- 10 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the information further comprises a
time and date associated with the triggering event.
4. The method of claim 1 wherein the information further comprises a
digitized voice snippet of a user.
5. The method of claim 1 wherein the triggering event is an input
15 entered by a user at the mobile terminal.
6. The method of claim 1 wherein the triggering event is detecting an
occurrence of a predetermined event external to the mobile terminal.
7. The method of claim 1 wherein the destination information indicates
that the transmitted information is destined to a Public Safety Answering Point
20 (PSAP) and the stored user specific information comprises user medical
information.
8. The method of claim 1 wherein the information further comprises a
priority, the information being transmitted on the wireless communications
system in accordance with the priority.

9. The method of claim 1 wherein the information is transmitted within at least one packet, the at least one packet having a header that indicates a destination for the information.

10. The method of claim 1 wherein the signaling channel is an SMS or an SMS-like signaling channel.

11. A method in a public wireless communications system in which a mobile terminal communicates on a signaling channel with a mobile switching center, the method comprising:

at a mobile switching center:

10 receiving information on the signaling channel, the information including an identifier indicating a destination of the information;

determining if the indicated destination is a predetermined destination;

and

15 if the indicated destination is the predetermined destination, forwarding the information to the predetermined destination or a destination associated with the predetermined destination, the information comprising information from the mobile terminal that has been transmitted in response to a triggering event, the information comprising user-specific information previously stored at the mobile terminal, information that identifies the mobile terminal, and

20 information that identifies a destination of all the information.

12. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information is forwarded on a signaling channel on the wireless communications system to a mobile terminal at or associated with the predetermined destination.

13. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information is forwarded in an email message sent to an email address associated with the predetermined destination.

14. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information is converted to a voice signal and is forwarded to a voice terminal at the predetermined destination or at a location associated with the predetermined destination.

15. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information is forwarded on a data network to a data terminal at the predetermined destination or at a location associated with the predetermined destination.

16. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information further comprises a geo-location of the mobile terminal.

17. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information further comprises a time and data associated with the triggering event.

18. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information further comprises a digitized voice snippet of a user.

19. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information comprises user medical information, the predetermined destination is a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), and the received information is forwarded to

20 a nearest PSAP.

20. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information is within at least one packet, the packet having a header that indicates a destination for the information.

21. The method of claim 11 wherein the signaling channel is an SMS or an SMS-like signaling channel.

22. The method of claim 11 wherein the received information further comprises a priority and the information is forwarded to the predetermined destination in accordance with the priority.

23. A computer readable media tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by a computer to perform a method at a mobile terminal operating on a public wireless communications system, the method comprising:

in response to a triggering event, transmitting on a signaling channel on the wireless communications system information that comprises previously stored user-specific information, information that identifies the mobile terminal, and information that identifies a destination of all the information.

24. A computer readable media tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by a computer to perform a method at a mobile switching center in a public wireless communications system in which a mobile terminal communicates on a signaling channel with the mobile switching center, the method comprising:

receiving information on the signaling channel, the information including an identifier indicating a destination of the information; determining if the indicated destination is a predetermined destination; and

if the indicated destination is the predetermined destination, forwarding the information to the predetermined destination or a destination associated

with the predetermined destination, the information comprising information from the mobile terminal that has been transmitted in response to a triggering event, the information comprising user-specific information previously stored at the mobile terminal, information that identifies the mobile terminal, and

5 information that identifies a destination of all the information.